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**BY ECF**

The Honorable Paul A. Crotty  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *United States v. Samuel Ashkenazi, et. al.*  
12 Cr. 00581 (PAC); 12 Cr. 00598 (PAC); and 13 Cr. 00283 (PAC)

2/19/2020  
Permission to travel (in) is  
granted  
So ordered  
Paul Murphy  
JSB

Dear Judge Crotty:

As the Court is aware, we represent Samuel Ashkenazi in the above-referenced matters. Mr. Ashkenazi was released from prison in August 2017 and is currently under the supervision of the probation department in the Eastern District of New York. Mr. Ashkenazi has been compliant with the terms of his supervised release and has been designated to the probation department's low-intensity unit. We write to request that Mr. Ashkenazi be permitted to travel to Israel from February 20, 2020 to February 24, 2020, so that he can attend a family celebration. We apologize for the last minute nature of this request: Mr. Ashkenazi's daughter was due to give birth this past Sunday, February 16, 2020, and Mr. Ashkenazi did not expect to be able to attend the family event in Israel because he would have been unable to attend the bris ceremony, which is required to be held within eight days from the date of birth. However, his daughter has